

# OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE

## Parish News

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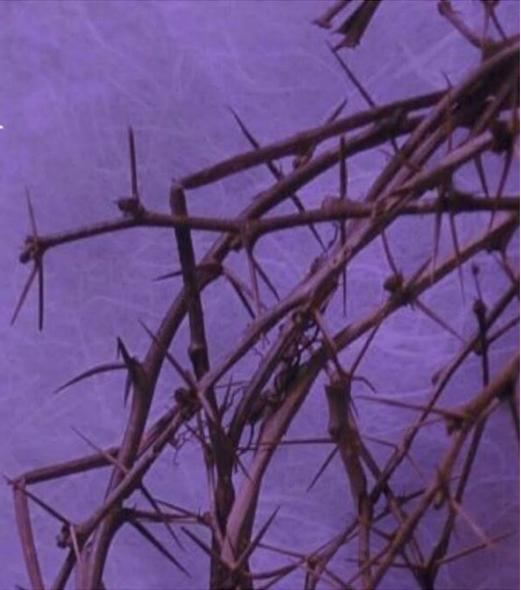
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**Saturday 21st March/ Sunday 22nd March 2026**  
**FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT (A)**

The Fifth  
Sunday  
of Lent



**SICK PARISHIONERS:** We pray for the sick and housebound and those who have asked for our prayers: Gwen Rushton, Elvira Kitteridge, Kathleen Haigh, Mary Rooney, Isaac Barry, Peter Beard, Barbara Mansell, Mary Delaney, Frances Weaver, Rachel Stokes, John Martin, Marie Evenett, Terrance Evenett, John Kisielowski, Janine Corbey, Bridget Finneral, Jordan Caulfield, Mary O'Keeffe, Kate Friedlein, Stephanie Price, Maria Caparco, Anne Bardell, Agnes Hughes, Mary Breadman, Martha Botelho, Peter McDonagh, Janet Boxall, Hazel Smith, Michael Blancs, Keith Flynn, Joseph Brady, Sara Reynolds, Sue Kelly, Toni & Steve Brady and family, Maureen Pannell, Rita Cuthbert, Kerry Norton and Theresa Taffurelli.

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Carmen Poy-Penela, Doreen Ashburner, Nicholas Williamson, Margaret Francis, Winifred Finneral, Archie Hill, Hugh Donlon, James Rooney, James Irons, Laurence O'Keeffe, Mary Peagram, Bob Beagley, Peter Malone and Michael Boxall.  
**May they rest in peace.**

**CONFESSIONS :** There will be Confessions on Saturday 21st March at 5.15pm. As soon as we know if there will be Confessions on Saturday 28th March; we will let you know.

**YOUTH CLUB:** Our Parish Youth Club will take place on Friday 27th March in the Jubilee Hall, between 7.30pm and 9.30pm. For more information, please contact Jacqui Leech on 07594 499051.

**CHILDREN OF OUR PARISH:** Dear Children we are doing a display of the handprints of the Children Of The Parish to display at the back of the church over Easter & beyond. If you would like to have your handprint included please go to the hall after Mass this weekend to immortalise your print onto paper.

**Thank you  
Jacqui**

**SVP BARN DANCE—4TH JULY 2026:** The SVP are organising a Barn Dance. Details to follow.

**PRAYERS:** Please pray for the repose of the soul of Noreen Pannell. She passed away peacefully last week. Please keep her family and friends in your prayers. Her Funeral will take place on the 9th April at 11.15am.  
**May she rest in peace.**

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS: there will be Stations of the Cross on Friday 20th March at 7.15pm.**

**EASTER LILIES:** If you would like to buy a lily in remembrance of a loved one, to decorate the altar this Easter, please put a donation in an envelope and mark it “**EASTER LILY**”. Inside the envelope, put the name of the person or persons you would like to remember and all the people on our “Easter Lillies List” will then be remembered at every Mass during the Easter season . Please post it through the Presbytery letterbox as soon as possible. If you are in our Gift aid scheme, then please quote your gift aid number.

**Thank you.**

**BLESSING OF EASTER FOOD:** Fr Paul will bless the special Easter food which is a very important part of the Paschal celebration for the Polish community.

**This will take place at 2.00pm on Holy Saturday afternoon.**

**CARITAS:** You are warmly invited to join the Dioceses of Brentwood, Southwark, and Westminster for the 20th annual Mass for Migrants on Bank Holiday Monday, 4 May 2026, at St Antony of Padua Catholic Church. The celebration will begin at 12.00 pm with a procession of banners.

This year, the Mass is hosted by the Diocese of Brentwood. Celebrated for the Feast of St Joseph the Worker, the Mass is prepared by the Caritas and Ethnic Chaplaincies of the three dioceses and gives thanks for the contributions made to faith, life and work in the UK by all those who have come from other countries to make their home here.

The preacher will be Archbishop Richard Moth, and the celebrant will be Bishop Alan Williams, sm.

Music will be provided by Nathan Chan and students from St Antony's Catholic Primary School, St Bonaventure's Catholic Secondary School and St Angela's Ursuline School.

We will also be joined by community organisers from **Citizens UK**.

**MARRIAGE SUPPORT:**

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## LITURGY LIST THIS WEEK

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT (A)</b> Saturday 21st March</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sunday 22nd March</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>6.00pm Mass</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>9.00am Mass</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>11.00am Mass</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Ints Margaret McKeown &amp; Ints Anne McKeown (Bill Paul)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">People of the Parish</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Ints Mary O'Keefe</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Monday 23rd March</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>No Mass</b></p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Tuesday 24th March</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>No Mass</b></p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Wednesday 25th March</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>9.30am Mass</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Anita Paul RIP (B'day) (Teresa and Brian) &amp; Anita Paul RIP (B'day) (Bill)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Thursday 26th March</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Funeral Mass</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>10.30am</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Peggy White RIP</b></p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Friday 27th March</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>St Francis School</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Stations of the Cross</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>9.30am Mass</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>7.15pm</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Anne Mahon RIP (B'day) (McNulty)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD (A)</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Saturday 28th March</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sunday 29th March</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>6.00pm Mass</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>9.00am Mass</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>11.00am Mass</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Ints Sheila McKay &amp; Ints Eileen Lacey (Bill) &amp; Carmelo D'Amico RIP</p> <p style="text-align: center;">David MacDonald RIP (A) (MacDonald) &amp; Ints Maureen Olliffe (Jacqui Leech)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Fr David RIP</p>